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GOV. EASLEY APPOINTS COOK TO APPALACHIAN STATE UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

RALEIGH – Gov. Mike Easley has appointed **Thomas H. Cook Jr**. of Raleigh to the Appalachian State University Board of Trustees.

Cook is an attorney at Wyrick, Robbins, Yates & Ponton LLP in Raleigh. He is a member of the N.C. Bar Association, where he serves on the business organization committee, and is also a member of the American Bar Association, where he serves in the tax and business law sections and on the forum on affordable housing and community development law. Cook received his bachelor's degree in accounting from the University of Virginia, his law degree from the College of William and Mary and his master's of law in tax law from Georgetown University.

The board promotes the sound development of the institution within the functions prescribed, helps to serve the state in a way that will complement the activities of the other institutions and aids it to perform at a high level of excellence in every area of endeavor. There are 13 members on the board, each serving a four-year term. The governor appoints four members.

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